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We are writing in concern of the CalFed EIS/EIR that was released on July 21.

A 6500 page document of this scope and technical applications will require several months of perusal just to get through it, let alone digest and understand it. The review period should be extended to a minimum of 90 days and should include several public hearings to discuss the implications.

This proposal will affect California Agricultural in many adverse ways. As food for the entire nation comes from farms in the central valley of California, it will adversely affect the nation's food supply. Any proposal that does not include new water for agricultural, environmental and domestic use is badly flawed. If you take water away from one use, such as agriculture, you are harming everyone.

Farmers have always been good stewards of the land and environment, give them a chance to prove they will continue to be so. Our families have been farming in California for 140 years. let us keep being able to carry on the tradition.

Rather than buy up producing agricultural land the environmental mitigations should be carried out on existing federally owned land.

Sincerely,

Wayne Vineyard Barbara Vineyard
Placer Country Farmers

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